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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The government census bureau report from ginners up to Jan. 16, indicates a cotton crop of 13,000,000 bales at the most conservative estimate. —— Near Abbeville, Ga., yesterday, in a row over a land line, one man was shot dead and five were wounded. —— Pittsburg Phill, a famous race plunger, died at Asheville yesterday morning. —— Cardinal Gibbons informs the Senate Committee on Indian affairs that Professor Scharf, who Senator Bard reported as having roposed to carry 20 Congressional districts for the Republican party, is no agent of the Catholic church. —— Shipment of $9,180,000 in gold from New York to Paris to-day will be the second largest on record. —— Near Hornersville, N. Y., last night a train ran into a sleigh containing thirteen women, killing ten and terribly injuring the other three. — The Czar of Russia summoned a elegation of workmen to his palace yesterday and after rebuking them, promised to do all in his power to relieve their wants. General Kuropatkin reports that the five days battle of the Hun River was terrible but was without practical results on either side. —— New York markets: Money on call was firmer at 1@2½ per cent.; cotton, the market was quiet at 7.35c.; flour was firm but quiet; wheat, spot easy, No. 2 red $1 21 f. o. b. afloat; corn, spot irregular, No. 2 53½ c. at elevator; oats, spot easy, mixed 26@32 pounds, 36@36½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 1.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 32; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 53 degrees; minimum 30 degrees; mean 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, .00 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., to-day 6.1 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, January 31.—For North Carolina: Fair, colder Thursday, preceded by rain on the coast; Friday fair, colder in southeast portion, fresh northwest winds.

Port Almanac—February 2,

Sun Rises	7.01 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.28 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 27 M.
High Water at Southport	7.10 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington	9.40 P. M.

The matrimonial merger is about the only one that President Roosevelt seems bound to respect.

When, the other day, we answered the query, "What is the remedy for polygamy?" we had entirely over looked Col. Johann Hock's method of decimating a harem.

The Chattanooga Times says the tariff question has been submerged. The Republican platform was for stand pattery and the President now knows what that means

The public is again warned that a dangerous $10 bill of the Buffalo series is out. We know what we will do with it if we get it. "Give the devil his due."

In a Chicago cooking school the other day some girls caused a $35,000 fire. No man needn't doubt that those same girls can give him a very cold reception when they take it into their heads to do so.

We have now quit wishing we had the earth. We would, however, like to have a burglar proof fence around that $5,000,000 diamond discovered in the African diamond region a couple of weeks ago.

Wanamaker advertises that he has brought about "a revolution in Spring millinery." Married men are no longer interested in Russia's troubles. They've got a revolution of their own to be handled like that on the Nevsky Prospect.

Just as the STAR said, President Roosevelt can apply to us for room under the landslide. His stand pat crowd not only refuses to let him have a "sight" at the tariff pot, but is about to side track him with his railroad legislation.

All the people who believed during the campaign that if the tariff needed revision it would get it in house of its friends will please forward their checks to us for our revised edition of "Why Ephraim is Still Stuck to the Idol that Got Him by the Umbilicus."

The press agent of Chicago now sends it out that the police believe that Johann Hoch murdered at least twelve of his twenty wives. We don't know how Johann managed to make a mash on so many women unless he was always dressed to kill when he was in acourting humor.

A story is going the rounds that a Berlin woman can write and sew with her tongue. We positively believe some measly writer is going to say it, but we wish beforehand to say that we are not going to say that women generally could keep their tongues out of mischief by using them in useful industries.

Build Up O. A. N. Grounds.

It is understood on good authority that Mr. Furney J. Gooding is negotiating for the purchase of the O. A. N. grounds, near the Marine Hospital, and that he proposes, if he should acquire the property, to build a large number of modern residences on the site.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A case of smallpox was quarantined yesterday at 806 Hanover street.

— The Dorcas Society will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Luther Memorial Building.

—During the past month the Register of Deeds issued marriage licenses to seven white and 19 colored couples.

—The North Carolina Sorosis will hold its regular business meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the club room in the Masonic Temple.

— Ground was broken yesterday for the new granolithic sidewalk to be laid around the new I. O. O. F. building, Third and Princess streets.

— Contractor M. G. Silvia has asked for a permit to build a two-story, in-roof residence for Mr. D. L. T. Capps at Second and Nun streets.

— James Owen Reilly, real estate agent, offers for sale the valuable building lot at southwest corner of Third and Dock streets, 120 feet on Third street and 101 feet on Dock street.

— The ladies of the Cape Fear Golf Club will give an approaching and putting contest complimentary to the gentlemen of the club Saturday afternoon. Prizes are offered for winners in the contest.

— Mr. Cook, an elderly citizen of Delgado, died yesterday morning at his home in the village and will be buried this afternoon in Bellevue cemetery. Deceased leaves a wife and several children.

— Announcement is made of the approaching marriage of Mr. W. A. Penny and Miss Lizzie A. Hahn, a daughter of the late W. H. and Mrs. W. H. Hahn.

— In the police court yesterday William Law was fined $20 and costs for repeated drunkenness, in default of which he will go to the roads, and Thos. V. Brown, colored, for engaging in a fight, was fined $5 and costs.

— The office formerly occupied by A. J. Marshall, Esq., in "Magistrates' Row," No. 214 Princess street, has been re-furnished throughout and is now occupied by Walter P. Gafford, Esq., who formerly had an office with City Attorney William J. Bellamy.

— John Grady, an all-round bad negro, whose face is familiar to all minions of the law, was jailed by Constable Savage yesterday and will be tried in Justice Fowler's court today upon two charges of assault and battery with a deadly weapon and carrying a concealed weapon.

— The negroes, Guion and Morgan, charged with the shooting of young Ramsey and Rising at Front and Dawson streets Monday night a week ago, will be given trial in the Mayor's court at noon to-day. The trial has been postponed from day to day in the absence of witnesses.

—At a meeting last night, the Wilmington Athletic Association, recently organized, decided to open club rooms on the fourth floor of the Atlantic National Bank building in the I. B. E. W. Hall. The club will move from the Naval Reserve armory to-day week and will elegantly furnish its new quarters.

— The colony of Celestials from the "flowery kingdom" celebrated the Chinese New Year yesterday. The day marks the 31st birthday of the Emperor of China. The local colony of Celestials always celebrates the Chinese New Year, and the festivities are usually very enjoyable, being weird and unusual.

— In the police court Monday a man by the name of J. A. Dew was fined for being drunk and down. The man referred to is not Mr. J. A. Dew, of Pender county, who has never appeared in the police court here. This statement is gladly made at the request of Mr. J. A. Dew, who is a substantial merchant of Birla, Pender county, N. C.

Local Markets Yesterday.

The cotton market continued to develop strength yesterday, futures having been up about 15 points on the strength of the census report given out during the day. New York spot was quiet at 7.35c, while the local market was steady at 6¾c for middling. Receipts were 251 bales, against 1,265 same day last year. The monthly report of cotton and naval stores is printed in the commercial columns of the STAR this morning.

Some Political Gossip.

It was stated on the streets yesterday that there was a strong probability that Mr. E. F. Johnson would again enter the race for Mayor before the approaching primaries. Another report was that if he decided not to run for Mayor, he would enter the race for Alderman from the Third Ward. It is understood that Mr. George Harriss will also be a candidate for Alderman from the Third Ward.

Died at Fort Caswell.

Mrs. W. G. Butler, wife of Hospital Steward Butler, of the army post at Fort Caswell, died yesterday morning. The remains will be brought up to the city this afternoon and sent to the former home of the family in Detroit, Mich., for interment.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Bazaar—Notice.
Save Time—Save trouble.
J. C. Shepard—Large surplus.
James Owen Reilly—For sale.
Notice—To jurors and witnesses.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Police revolver.
Jno. B. Harder—Bargains.
Wanted—Lady or gentleman.
W. P. Oldham & Co.—Oranges.

TO IMPROVE STREETS

Provisions of Bill Recommended to Legislature by Board of Aldermen.

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT.

Salient Features of Act Providing Machinery for System of Progressive Action Proposed by Municipality—To Lease Docks, Etc.

By far the most important of the several bills which the Board of Aldermen will recommend to the Legislature for enactment is that entitled "An Act Empowering the City of Wilmington to Pave and Improve the Streets and Sidewalks in said City" and which is designed to take the place of all other legislation along that line. The bill is a voluminous docket of more than 12 typewritten pages and is very comprehensive. It was agreed upon by the Aldermen in conference Tuesday night and will come up for official endorsement at the regular monthly meeting of the Board Monday evening.

The bill specifies that it is the duty of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to prosecute the work of permanent street improvement with vitrified brick, macadam and other materials all of which are defined. It is provided that whenever it is deemed necessary to improve any street with a material of a permanent nature, the City Engineer shall make a survey of the proposed improvement and the Streets and Wharves Committee shall make up an estimate of the cost of same, together with the drainage and the difference in cost between improvement with macadam and with material of a more substantial character, such as vitrified brick and the like. The difference in the cost of macadam and the cost of paving with brick or other like material shall be paid one-half by the city and one-half by property owners abutting. It is provided, however, that whenever any street is proposed to be paved with vitrified brick or the like south of Castle, north of Red Cross or east of Ninth street, the city shall not be authorized to pave the same outside of that district until and unless a majority of the abutting property owners on that street shall in writing request the city to make such improvement and assess one half of the difference against them. The amount of an assessment against any property for improvement shall operate as a lien on the real estate, paramount to all others, except for taxes, and the same shall be due and payable within 30 days after report of assessment is made to the Board of Aldermen. In default of any payment of assessment, the real estate against which an assessment is made may be sold at public auction in the same manner as sales of land for taxes are now conducted. The property may be redeemed at any time upon the same conditions as lands sold for taxes may be redeemed. Appeal to the Superior Court may be had by either party to a controversy arising out of the operation of the street law, under certain conditions named in the act as to the time. The same provisions as to paying cost of improvement by street railway companies will remain in effect as now and all amounts paid by such companies and property owners shall be returned to the city fund for street improvement instead of going into the miscellaneous and extraordinary fund as now.

Part second of the ordinance is with reference to the sidewalks and empowers the Board of Aldermen to order any kind of sidewalks to be placed around property that may be considered advisable and uniform, the same to be laid by the property owner or laid by the city and the cost of same assessed against the property owner, provided the property owner fails to have the work done on his or her own account. So much of the old act as requires street work to be done by contract is repealed by the new act and the city is given the power to contract for the work or do the work with its own force as the Streets and Wharves Committee may elect.

For the preservation of streets and sidewalks the city is given power to require that all pipes and conduits be laid to property line of any premises before a street or alley is permanently improved, and where any owner fails to perform that work, the city is empowered to do so and assess the cost against the property owner.

The act is to go into effect from and after its ratification. In connection with the new street law is another bill empowering the city of Wilmington to lease any or all of its docks and wharves as may be deemed advisable. The latter act is very simple and provides the power for an action, which the city probably already has.

Cargo of Gum Logs

The British steamer "Armenia," 1,515 tons, Capt. Scearf, will clear this morning for Glasgow, Scotland, with cargo of gum logs and other veneering timber, consigned by Mr. Will L. Miller, to the Acme Tea Chest Co. The steamer goes via Newport News, Va. to receive coal.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, the gifted president of Davidson College, will be here Sunday and will address the men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. at 5 o'clock that afternoon. There will be special music. All men are invited.

COMPLIMENTARY GERMAN.

Delightful Dance Last Night in Masonic Temple in Honor of Peck-Stevenson Nuptial Event—Many Couples.

The german last night by L'Arioso club, in the Masonic Temple, in honor of the Peck-Stevenson nuptials, was the largest and perhaps the prettiest of the many distinctive social triumphs of that organization since its founding nearly a score of years ago. The decorations were in keeping with the other brilliant environment of the dance and the number of couples was comfortably near the capacity of the spacious ball room. The music was by Hollowbush's Academy Orchestra and the figures were led by Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr., the regular club leader, who introduced a number of new and pleasing intricacies, one of them having been the letters "P. S.," which was executed with charming precision by the large number of couples who followed.

Among those present and dancing were: Mis Mary Calder with Mr. T. B. Willard; Miss Seabrezza, Mr. Thos. H. Wright; Miss Bessie Burruss, Mr. R. A. Williams; Col. and Mrs. W. J. Cotton; Miss Elliott Emerson, Mr. A. S. Williams; Miss Margaret Nash, Mr. W. L. Walker; Mrs. G. Herbert Smith, Mr. Raymond Huni; Miss Louise Bellamy, Mr. T. D. Meares, Jr.; Miss Bessie Gore, Mr. W. G. W. Krafft; Miss Jeanie Peck, Mr. T. W. Davis; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dick; Miss Lilla Bellamy, Mr. F. S. Dupre; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gwaltney; Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Grainger; Miss Emma West, Dr. T. M. Green; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Holt; Miss Anna Peck, Mr. Geo. P. James; Capt. and Mrs. R. P. Johnston; Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. William J. Bellamy; Miss Elovine Burruss, Mr. R. H. Bradley; Miss Lucile Murchison, Mr. John Jay Blair; Miss Meta LeGrand, Mr. W. C. Crow; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wallace Carmichael; Miss Amy Harlow, Mr. Platt W. Davis; Miss Nellie Emerson, Capt. Champ McD. Davis; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lippitt; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacRae; Miss Tallulah DeRosset, Mr. E. A. Metts; Miss Annie Taylor, of Pittsboro, Mr. E. S. Nash; Mr. and Mrs. George L. Peschau; Miss Laura Clark, Mr. S. C. Potts; Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rankin; Miss Schumate, of Hagerstown, Md., Mr. H. DeLeon Southerland; Miss Laura Young, of Washington, Dr. Pride Jones Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Chiswell; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hinckley; Miss Leonora Cantwell, Mr. Adams; Miss Bettie Gordon, of Sewanee; Capt. J. Van B. Metts; Miss Mary Borden, Mr. George Crow; Miss Julia Parsley, Mr. Milton Calder; Miss Annie B. DeRosset, Mr. F. Pope; Miss Ida Brown, Mr. W. L. Moore; Miss Alice Borden, Mr. Junius Davis; Miss Mary Allen Short, Mr. C. Van Leuven;

Stags—Mr. Crapster, Mr. Chase, Mr. Louis Davis, Mr. Clayton Giles, Jr. and Mr. Nicholson, of New Brunswick, N. J.

PECK-STEVENSON NUPTIALS.

Popular Young People of Wilmington Plighted Their Troth Yesterday.

The marriage of Miss Mary Treat Peck, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Peck, and Mr. James M. Stevenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stevenson, was quietly solemnized yesterday afternoon at a quarter to six o'clock at the home of the bride's mother, No. 311 South Third street. The ceremony was impressively spoken in the presence of only a few friends and relatives, by the Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church. It was a pink and green wedding and the color scheme was carried out with beautiful effect.

The bride was attractively costumed in grey and was attended by her sister, Miss Jeanie Peck, as maid of honor. The groom's best man was Mr. Thos. W. Davis. There were no other attendants, the bride and groom preferring that the marriage should be as quiet as was possible to make it.

Soon after the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson were accompanied to the railway station by the wedding party and they left on the 6:50 P. M. A. C. L. northbound train for a bridal trip to New York. They will return in about two weeks and be at home in this city where they have numerous friends. The german last night by L'Arioso Club, in the Masonic Temple, was in honor of the wedding.

Tank Steamer Proceeds.

The handsome new tank steamer "Captain A. F. Lucas," Capt. Rubelli, which has been in port since Sunday discharging cargo of oil for the branch of the Standard Oil Co., in this city, cleared yesterday for Port Arthur, Texas, where she will receive cargo of crude oil from the oil fields in that section for New York. The "Lucas" passed down the river yesterday afternoon and will remain at Southport until the "City of Everett" arrives today with Barge No. 95, which will be towed around to Port Arthur. While in port the "Lucas" added two blades to her propellor, to take the place of two lost on the initial trip down.

Good Year for St Andrew's.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church was held last night and was largely attended. The reports of the various departments and societies showed a most satisfactory year's work. The church has raised for all purposes during the year, $6,846.04. Following the meeting of the congregation, the Ladies' Aid Society of the church gave a delightful informal reception in the Sunday school room. Ice cream, cake, coffee and other refreshments were served and a programme of vocal and instrumental music was rendered.

AFTER THE RAILWAYS

Bill Introduced in Legislature Yesterday Enlarging Powers of Corporation Commission.

ANOTHER ANTI-JUG LAW.

One to Apply to Entire State Favorably Reported—Pamlico River Fish Bill Killed—Governor Urges Needs of University—Notes.

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 1.—The House Committee on Liquor Traffic this afternoon decided to report favorably the McNinch bill, providing an anti-jug law for the whole State to take the place of the "sneak" act of 1903, that the House recently voted to repeal. This favorable report will be made through McNinch to-morrow, and it will come up on the calendar later. The bill repealing the former jug law is now being held up in the Senate, with the understanding that it will not be acted on until the House acts on the new McNinch bill, so that if it is to become a law there will be no considerable interim between the old and the new law.

The committee also heard at considerable length advocates of the bill providing prohibition at Advance, in Yadkin county, one of the whiskey towns chartered in 1903, but deferred action until February 14th, when opponents of the bill will be given a hearing. They report favorably the bill to repeal the act allowing the sale of liquor at the Atlantic Hotel, Morehead City.

Legislative Proceedings.

There was little of interest in either branch of the General Assembly today, the Senate being opened with prayer by Rev. J. L. Foster and the House with prayer by Dr. M. M. Marshall. The special order in the House was the bill prohibiting the placing of Dutch or pound nets in the Pamlico river. The bill was reported unfavorably by the committee on fish and fisheries, by a vote of 9 to 3, and a minority report was submitted so that the bill could be discussed in the House. The discussion was long and spirited. Mr. Laughinghouse, of Pitt, led the fight for the adoption of the minority report, and Messrs. Harris and Branch, of Beaufort, against it.

In the Senate the Ward liquor bill was discussed, and after several amendments were offered the bill was made the special order for Thursday, February 9th.

Bills introduced in the Senate were: By Foushee, of Durham, relating to railroads and known as "rotten crosstie bill;" by Sinclair, to regulate fire insurance allowing discounts, and several local bills. Among bills which passed third reading in the Senate were House bill to protect shell fish industry in Brunswick and Senate bill for protection of clams in New Hanover.

A message was received from Governor Glenn giving a list of vacancies on the board of trustees of the State University and urging liberal consideration of the needs of the University.

The Ward bill for regulating the manufacture and sale of liquor in North Carolina came up at 11:40 for action by the Senate. Senator Turner sent up an amendment to strike out 1,500 population and insert 1,000, so that only the towns having 1,000 or more inhabitants will be allowed to grant license to distilleries. Senator Ward accepted the amendment.

Senator Fleming sent a substitute bill which simply requires the employment of one policeman in any town where distilleries or saloons are permitted. The substitute does not have the limit of 1,000 contained in the Ward bill. This provision is entirely left out.

Among a large number of local bills introduced in the House was one by Woodard, of Wilson, to regulate railroad fare and provide for interchange of mileage; another by McGill, of Cumberland, to amend Chapter 54, Public Laws of 1899, regulating fire insurance in other companies.

Bills passed third reading: Amending Chapter 339, Public Laws of 1899, relative to grading cotton seed meal; to elect county commissioners of Union by the people. Other matters in the House to-day were of a purely local nature.

CORPORATION COMMISSION BILL.

Foushee's "anti-rotten crosstie bill," introduced to-day enlarging the powers of the Corporation Commission, provides that Section 2, Chapter 164, Laws of 1899, be amended by adding thereto sub-section 27, as follows:

"From time to time to carefully examine into and inspect the condition of each railroad, its equipment and manner of its management in regard to the public safety and convenience, and if any are found by it to be unsafe, they shall at once notify and require all transportation and transmission companies to establish and maintain all such public service, facilities and conveniences that may be reasonable and just."

Second: That Section 15, Chapter 164, Laws of 1899, be amended by adding thereto as follows: "That the Corporation Commission shall have authority to employ counsel in cases in which they are parties and counsel so employed shall be paid such fee as may be agreed upon by them and approved by the Governor of the State.

Third: That Section 16, Chapter 164, Laws of 1899, be amended by adding thereto: "In all cases where freight is damaged, destroyed or lost in transit, the Corporation Commission shall have the power to make inquiry into and to ascertain the amount of damage or value of such freight and to direct and order payment of the amount of such damage or loss by such transportation company as may be liable."

Chairman McNeill, of the Corporation Commission, drafted the bill and it is endorsed by the Commission.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Chairman J. W. Bailey, of the North Carolina Anti Saloon League, is out in an address to the people of the State calling on them to support the Ward bill amendment to the Watts' law, providing, as he states it, for the expulsion of distilleries from towns of less than 1,500 inhabitants, prohibition of barrooms in unpolluted towns, more effective measures for the detection of trangressions of the temperance laws and greater penalties for violations. He says this legislation is reasonable but is meeting with vigorous opposition and that unless the people make known that they earnestly desire these measures some of their representatives may become indifferent. He calls for petitions and personal letters to members of the legislature. He had hoped to obtain this legislation without public appeal but this hope he says "can no longer be entertained and the battle is on."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. A. C. Moore, of Currie, was here yesterday.

— Mr. Thad F. Tyler left last night for New York.

— Miss Lizzie Snyder, of Tarboro, is the guest of Mrs. Jos. H. Hinton.

— Miss Catherine Staunton, of Boston, is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Strange.

— Miss Fannie Taylor left yesterday to visit her sister, Mrs. A. M. Scales, of Greensboro.

— Mrs. B. G. Sale, of Lynchburg, Va., is the guest of her son, Mr. W. G. Sale, of the Western Union.

— Mr. James Rankin, of the A. C. L. clerical forces in this city, left yesterday for a trip to Dallas, Texas.

— Mrs. John Owens, of Mullins S. C., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. V. Martin. Miss Luell Norris, of Edgefield, S. C., is also a guest of Mrs. Martin.

—Mr. S. A. Schloss left yesterday afternoon for Charlotte to look after his theatrical interests there during the illness of his local manager, Mr. Marx S. Nathan, who continues quite sick.

— Midshipman Louis P. Davis, who graduated from Annapolis this week, arrived home yesterday morning on a short vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Junius Davis, who went up to attend commencement, also returned yesterday morning.

—Among last night's arrivals were Hon. J. A. Brown, Chadbourn; Jno. C. Lamb, Williamston; W. W. Sutton, Fayetteville; Hon. H. L. Godwin, Dunn; R. M. Albright, Raleigh; Dr. H. B. Maxwell, of Whiteville, and E. B. Wright, Boardman.

— Mr. E. H. Arnold, assistant secretary of the Y. M. C. A., leaves this afternoon for Charlotte to begin his new duties with a large manufacturing concern in that city. His successor at the Y. M. C. A. has not yet been named. Mr. Arnold is a faithful and conscientious worker at whatever he undertakes and he has the best wishes of hundreds of friends in Wilmington for his continued success.

SALARY FOR ALDERMEN.

Text of Bill Providing for Payment of $100 Per Year to Each Member.

With the exception of the usual clause repealing all laws in conflict therewith and making the act effective from and after June 1st, 1905, the following is the full text of the bill recommended by the city council for passage by the Legislature, providing a salary for members of the Board of Aldermen of Wilmington and placing the appointment of standing committees in the hands of the Mayor, viz:

The General Assembly of the State of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The salary of each Alderman of the City of Wilmington shall be One Hundred Dollars a year, to be paid when and as the Board of said city from time to time shall direct.

Section 2. There shall be a meeting of said Board held on the first Monday of each month, which meeting shall be known as the "Regular meeting." Special meetings may also be held on the call of the Mayor, with written notice to all of the Aldermen then in the city, or if the Mayor refuses to call a meeting after a written request made to him by three members of the Board of Aldermen, then special meetings may be held on a call of a majority of the Board of Aldermen with written notice to the Mayor and to such Aldermen as shall not have joined in the call.

Section 3. Any Alderman who shall fail to attend a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen or fail to attend any special meeting thereof, of which he shall have notice as hereinbefore prescribed, shall forfeit and pay for every such failure the sum of four dollars for the use of the said city, and if the same shall not be paid the amount thereof shall be deducted from the next installment of his salary as Alderman thereafter becoming due; but the Board of Aldermen may, for sickness, death or absence from the city, excuse any such failure and remit any such penalty at any time before the same shall be paid or deducted as aforesaid.

Section 4. All Committees of the Board of Aldermen shall be appointed by the Mayor.

REMOVE DANGEROUS BUILDINGS.

Text of Bill Which Board of Aldermen Will Recommend to Legislature.

Following is the text of the bill agreed upon by the Aldermen in conference Tuesday night empowering the City of Wilmington to remove unsafe buildings, the same to go into effect from and after its ratification:

The General Assembly of the State of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1: Full power and authority is hereby given to the City of Wilmington to cause all buildings, or portions of buildings, which are unsafe and dangerous to life and property to be torn down and removed, and to that end and purpose the Board of Aldermen of the City of Wilmington is hereby authorized and empowered to rear down and remove all buildings, or portions of buildings, determined by the Board of Aldermen to be unsafe and dangerous to life and property.

Provided, however, that the owner of the property on which said building, or portion of buildings, is located shall be given ten days notice in writing by the City Clerk & Treasurer of the City of Wilmington of the intention of the Board of Aldermen to so act, and shall be requested to tear down the same. In the event of failure after said notice, the Board of Aldermen may tear down and remove such buildings or portion of buildings so determined to be unsafe and dangerous to life and property, and the cost of tearing down and removing same is hereby declared to be a lien against the real estate on which said building, or portion or building, was located, and same shall be collected in the same manner and by the same proceedure as provided for in the collection of liens for street improvements.

Section 2: It is hereby made the duty of the Fire Commission of the City of Wilmington to report to the Board of Aldermen all building, the condition of which is unsafe and dangerous to life and property, the said Commission shall consist of the Mayor of the City of Wilmington, the Chief of the Fire Department and the Chief of Police of said City.

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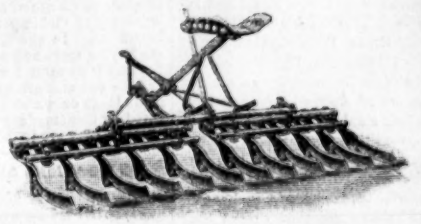

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GOOD WORK AT HIGH SCHOOL.

Honor Roll for January the Largest on Record—Senior's Fine Report.

Excellent work at the High School is evidenced by the report of the honor roll for the month of January, which was announced yesterday morning. Forty students went on the roll, the largest number in the history of the institution, and the average of the senior class was percentage of 98.5. Miss Mamie Mitchell, a member of that class, made the highest record ever made at the school—an even 100 on everything, which is perfect, and a record upon which she very properly received the very heartiest congratulations of her friends everywhere. The honor roll is as follows:

Senior Class: Sue Boon, Addie Chadwick, Jennie Corbett, Millie Cotchett, Lina DeRossett, Frank Fennell, Louise John, Lou McIver, Cora Meredith, Mamie Mitchell, Ray Solomon, Laura Weil, Wm. VonGlahn.

Junior Class: Annie Hill Holmes, Amoret Lord, Fannie Murchison, Isabel Smallbones.

Sophomore Class: Louis Belden, Harold Whitlock, Alex. Sprunt, Antoinette Black, Elsie Risley, Ila Rountree, Helen Solomon, Nellie Whitehead, Elizabeth Woodward.

Freshman I: Eva Boyd, Bessie Craig, Mary Crosswell, Mary Hayden, Rebecca Kaminsky, Leonora Mills, Annie Reilly, Veda Russ, Leila Screven, Lillian Williams, Annie Worth, Marie Hopkins, Elizabeth Schulken, Arthur Styron.

Freshmen II: Bessie Lathrop, Alice Noble, Duralde Borden, Lily Taylor, George Mitchell, Leola Rivenbark.

ESTABLISH PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Bill to be Presented to Legislature by Board of Aldermen of Wilmington.

Following is the full text of the bill recommended to the Legislature by the Board of Aldermen, empowering the City of Wilmington to establish a public library, with the exception of the usual clause repealing all laws in conflict therewith and making the same effective from and after its ratification, viz:

The General Assembly of the State of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1: The City of Wilmington is hereby authorized and empowered to establish and maintain a Public Library in the City of Wilmington, and in order to carry into effect the same, to annually appropriate from the general fund of the City of Wilmington such an amount as the Board of Aldermen and the Board of Audit and Finance may determine necessary and expedient for the uses and purposes herein contained.

Section 2. That nothing herein contained shall cause this act to be mandatory upon the Board of Aldermen to establish a Public Library.

Section 3. All laws or clauses of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Valuable Property Which Exchanged Hands by Deeds Filed Yesterday.

Dr. A. H. Harris and wife to A. J. Marshall, for $100, an undivided one seventh interest in 2,000 acres of land in Federal Point township, lying on the east side of Cape Fear river, 10 miles below Wilmington.

J. D. McEachern and wife, of Jacksonville, Fla., and E. C. McEachern, of Richmond county, N. C. to Martha J. Vann, of Pender county, for $1,350, property on south side of Castle, 65 feet west of Eighth street, 78x120½ feet in size.

Edward Woollten and wife to E. P. H. Strunck and wife for $1,000 and other considerations, property on west side of Fourth, 66 feet south of Nun street, 66x162 feet in size.

George Harriss and wife to A. J. Marshall, for $100, undivided one-seventh interest in Federal Point township lands described above.

Mamie Poisson to Rebecca Sternberger, for $125, property on east side of Front, 66 feet south of Wright street, 33x165 feet in size.

HARD FROM MR. BEHRENDS.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 1.

Editor Star,

DEAR SIR: Will you kindly make the following correction in regard to Public Park Bill as reported by you Feb. 1st. The meeting was called on Jan. 31st to acquaint the board with various legislation intended, but no bill was taken up and adopted in sections and then as a whole, as reported by you.

The Mayor stated that the meeting was called as a conference and nothing was settled definitely.

Respectfully yours,
S. BEHRENDS,
Alderman 3rd. Ward.

Death of Mrs. McKinnon.

Fayetteville Observer, 1st: "Mrs. Narcissa McKinnon, the aged relict of Murdoch McKinnon, long a prominent citizen and business man of this place, and mother of Dr. W. H. McKinnon, of Red Springs, died at her residence on Russell street at 8 o'clock this morning. The funeral services will take place at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon from the First Presbyterian church, of which she was long a consistent member. Dr. and Mrs. W. H. McKinnon and Miss Sallie McKinnon are in the city, having been called here by the illness and death of Mrs. McKinnon."

Quiet Police Month.

During the month of January, the police made 78 arrests against 111 the same month last year. Of the number arrested this month 53 were colored and 25 were white.

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SAVE TROUBLE!!
SAVE MONEY!!!
COOK AND HEAT WITH GAS.

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Valentine Beans,
Currie's Wax Beans,
Long Scarlet and White Vienna Radish.
Turnip Seed of every Description
and all other varieties and seeds in paper.
Write for quotations.
J. C. SHEPARD,
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For Sale.
That valuable building lot on Southwest corner of Third and Dock streets. Fronts 120 feet on Third and 101 feet deep on Dock.
For terms apply to
JAMES OWEN REILLY,
Real Estate and Insurance Agent.
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THE SIWASA.
A FEW REMINDERS:
Imported Swiss Cheese.
Philadelphia Cream Cheese.
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Fine French Sardines.
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Maraschino Cherries.
Crystalized Cherries.
"U all No" After Dinner Mints.
Extra Fine Celery.
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New Crop.
EXTRA EARLY PEAS
Have been received. Full stock of Beans and other seed expected in a few days. Prices are right for first class stock.
J. H. Hardin,
126 So. Front St. Druggist.
jan 1 tf

NOTICE.

There will be a Bazaar in Hibernian Hall Thursday evening, February 2nd, for the benefit of St. Thomas' Church. Fancy articles will be on sale and refreshments served. Admission, Adults, 25c.; Children, 10c. Talented vocalists from St. Aloysius Temperance Society will render a number of selections. Every ticket holder at the door will be entitled to a vote for a valuable prize. feb 1 2t

NOTICE

All jurors and witnesses summoned to appear at this term of the court are notified not to attend, as there will be no court. By order of the Judge. FRANK H. STEDMAN, Clerk.
feb 2 1t

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 2.

CHINESE COTTON.

Brother Wade H. Harris, the industrious and versatile editor of the Charlotte Chronicle, entertains us with an article on Chinese cotton, or rather Chinese cotton production. There are more than fifty countries that grow cotton to a greater or less extent but most of it is for home consumption, though Egypt and India do a considerable export business. Great Britain takes a good deal of India and Egyptian cotton, and some mills in America make a specialty of finished products from the long staple of Egypt. While we are aware that a great many countries can grow cotton, and there are many more cotton regions than we have ever dreamed of, we have always held to the theory that they will not compete with the South unless they can produce equally as good a quality at as low cost of production as can the South. That means that the lands, the climate, and the temperature must not only be adapted to growing cotton, but the extent of the cotton growing area, the labor to produce it, the machinery to prepare it for market, and above all the transportation to get into the hands of consumers at the lowest cost must constitute the main elements of any competition that the South may fear. We have got all these advantages and it will cost other countries billions of dollars to even catch up with us in this particular.

We are drifting off from the subject, however, as we intended mainly to speak of cotton itself in a cursory way, for the cotton subject would fill a book. The ancients of the old world grew cotton and the fact is we get its name from the Arabs who produced it centuries ago. The word Cotton, as we spell it, was derived from the Arabian word *kutn* or *kutun*. Pliny, the Roman author and naturalist, born 29 years after Christ, in his writings says:

"King Juba saith that this cotton groweth about the branches of the said trees (called gossampines), and the linens thereof be far better than those of the Indians."

We catch from the above that the East Indians were cotton growers from the time that man's memory knows not of. China has grown cotton for centuries and centuries, and much of the cotton grown in the South today came from seed imported from Nankin, China, when it was discovered that the Southern colonies of British North America could grow cotton. Long experiments demonstrated that the South was the best cotton producing region of the globe and we are right here with the goods and the unequalled advantages for doing it on a scale that it will take other countries ages to equal, even if they can. This is a round about way we have taken to reproduce the Charlotte Chronicle's article on Chinese Cotton, but as it will be read with interest, edification and profit, here it is:

"It is rather surpising to learn the extent to which cotton is grown in China. In a report from Consul George E. Anderson, we are told that for many years the staple has been produced in the Empire at points covering nearly half of its immense territory. Much of this land is not suitable to cotton raising, but the amount that is suitable, between hills, where the soil is constantly being rehabilitated, and in the river plains, where most intelligent cultivation would bring soil of great fertility into use, is certainly sufficient to supply the needs of China and permit of the raising of much for export. The Empire, however, at the present time—perhaps for a long time in the future—cannot afford to raise cotton on most of this land, which is required for food to support the immense population covering it. Important food is more costly than imported cotton. So long as this continues to be the case China, of course, will buy a great deal of foreign cotton. If it can be had cheaply in the shape of a finished product, it will be bought in that shape. If it cannot be had cheaply it will be bought in the shape of yarn, and the rough hand looms of the na ives will do the rest.

"As a matter of fact there is a vast amount of cotton which never leaves the district in which it is produced. It is grown, gathered, ginned, spun, dyed, woven and worn by the people. It gets into no trade reports; it is no part of the statistics of any government. It is doubtful if even an intelligent estimate of the amount of cotton used in China can be made. Local cotton fields are supplying local cotton yarn factories with 70 per cent. of their raw material. Cotton from India makes up the remainder. It is probably a fair estimate to say that this proportion will hold good in nearly every part of China.

"Generally speaking, Chinese cotton is of l w grade and probably will never be suitable for high grade goods even under the most intelligent manipulation. The plants are stunted in appearance, seem to lack vigor, and the bolls are comparatively small with short and uneven fibres. The plants are apparently free from disease, probably due to cultivation in small fields, almost patches, and that cotton is not a regular crop with many farmers.

"In China the growing of cotton seems to follow the law of supply and demand more quickly than elsewhere. So long as the natives can secure cotton goods abroad cheaply they raise little cotton, and much of what they raise goes to fill their wadded clothing and bed clothing. But high priced cotton abroad is followed immediately by a widespread increase in its cultivation there and the climate of a large portion of Europe is such that the people do not have to wait for another season to roll around before they commence to seek relief.

"The increased importation of cotton yarns and fancy cotton goods probably indicates the direction to be taken by American cotton manufacture for cotton to China. In the way of fancy goods cheap 'Turkish' towels in small sizes are demanded. Goods made in imitation of silk, even very cheap imitations, are popular, especially for outer garments. There is a growing demand for handkerchiefs, plain, dyed and printed. The use of cotton flannel is increasing and imports thereof are increasing. In short, the Chinese are buying more and more goods of the sort they cannot make at home, but the common grades which can be made there or which can be substituted by homemade goods must be cheap if they are to sell in China."

WHY NATIONS ARE SMALL.

"Russia tries to crawfish" is the newspaper heading over an account of the inquiry into the North Sea incident by the international commission now sitting at Paris. The telegraph editor in writing his head for that item was expressing the impression made upon him by the Russian counsel who was attempting to prevent the examination as a witness of the captain of a Swedish ship, because, as Russia's representative was so maladroit to explain, "it had been arranged between the Swedish and Russian governments that the incident had no relation to the Hull affair."

Monsieur Fournier, an able Frenchman, is president of the international commission, and rightly he overruled the objection of the Russian counsel to making the Swedish captain a witness. We revert to this incident to show how the act of the individual representative of a power is ascribed to the nation itself. That is eminently correct, too, for after all a nation acts through the comparatively few men who constitute the government. The character and ability and statesmanship, if any, represented in the men at the head of affairs, constitute the Nation, and as they are small, weak or broad men so they make the nation appear. Therefore, the ablest, wisest, broadest, justest and most judicious men ought to be placed at the helm, for the mistakes, blunders or unprincipled or unwise acts make the nation responsible. All wars are brought about by the lack of diplomacy, unwisdom, bigotry, or deliberate acts of one man or set of men in attempting to conduct the affairs of one government or another. That is one reason we always hate to see a cymling-headed aspirant or demagogue rush into the limelight for political honors or official positions that make an absurd misfit for the occupant. Keep the popskulls at home. Nations are made to appear small through the small bores that presume to stand for them.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It is understood railroad rate legislation is snowbound and all schedules have been abandoned. Even the Very Limited is stuck in a drift.—Baltimore Sun.

—— Marines enjoy fighting for the flag, but it remains to be seen how they will like fighting in Santo Domingo in order to collect a debt for a third party.—Washington Post.

—— Democratic leaders who are declaring that the President is stealing Democratic thunder are reminded by Mr. Bryan that it is lightning and not thunder that does the business.—Chattanooga Times.

—— Emperor Nicholas exclaims, "Is there nobody who will tell me the truth?" Probably not as long as he continues to have those of his subjects who are willing to do so shot down by Cossacks.—Kansas City Star.

—— It appears that the earliest estimates of the horrors in St. Petersburg fell short of the mark. Swinburne has seized the opportunity to hurl a poetic bomb.—Toronto Mail and Empire.

—— If it be true that the present insurrectionary movement in the Czar's country was excited by the novelists, it is more than likely that something will be doing in Indiana one of these days.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

—— Judge Gage refused an application for bail in the case of the five men who are confined in the Berkely county jail on the charge of lynching the negro, Kit Bookhart, at Eutawville, last year, and his action in the matter will be approved, we are sure, by the better sentiment of the entire State. It has been found, by a careful survey of the Berkeley and Orangeburg county lines, that the negro was killed in Orangeburg county, instead of Berkeley county, and the trial of those charged with this horrible crime will be held in Orangeburg, instead of Berkely. This is the case in which Governor Heyward behaved so splendidly, and we are glad to note the fact that the courts are holding up his hands, and that the law will take its proper course without being affected by technicalities through which many a guilty person has escaped punishment for his crimes.—Charleston News and Courier.

Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food, or money back. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Try them. †

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B. R. King, the well known policeman, residing at 706 Wooster street, says: "I had terrible pain in my back which worked around to my side and in my stomach, so bad at times that it laid me up. I used internal medicines and they did not help me. I put on plasters and rubbed with liniment, and none of them helped me at all. Seeing Doan's Kidney Pills recommended I got a box of them at Bellamy's drug store. The next day after commencing to use them I noticed relief. Since using two boxes of them I have not had an ache or a pain in my back. It is with pleasure that I add my name to those endorsing the claims made for this remedy."

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TWINKLINGS

— Tankley—"My eyes bother me a great deal, doctor. Do you think I need stronger glasses?" Dr. Kandor—"No. I think you need weaker glasses—and fewer."—Chicago Journal.

— "Harold!" began his wife, in a furious temper, "my mind is made up"—— "Mercy!" interrupted her husband, "is that so? I had hoped that your mind at least was your own."—Detroit Free Press

— Uncle George—And how do you like your employer, Tommy? Tommy—Oh, he isn't so bad; but he's awful bigoted. Uncle George—Bigoted? In what way? Tommy—He's got an idea that words must be spelled just his way.—Chicago Journal.

— "That was quite an old man who wrote that article," said the editor. "Why do you judge so?" "Because he asks that all underscored words be set in italics. The italic business doesn't go in the modern newspaper office."—Dallas News.

— "The tout ensemble of that orchestra is remarkably good," remarked Mr. Newrich's host at the box party. "Don't you think so?" "You bet it is!" responded Mr Newrich, enthusiastically; "I like to watch the feller that's playin' it slide it back and forth—looks as if he was swallerin' it.—Cleveland Leader.

— "Jimmy," said the teacher, after reading the youngster's "note from his father" excusing his absence from school the day before, "it seems to me your father's writing is very much like yours." "Yes," replied Jimmy, unabashed; "pop ain't had no education, and I'm learning him."

— At the Theatre.—Youngster—"What beautiful heads of hair these ladies in front have!" Oldster—"If the lady whose switch has dropped off—" All six of the ladies bring their hands to the back of their heads spasmodically, and Oldster grins and chuckles as though he had done a bright thing.—Tit-Bits.

— "Can you tell me what sort of weather we may expect next month?" wrote a subscriber to an editor of a paper; and the clever editor replied as follows: "It is my belief that the weather next month will be very much like your subscription." The inquirer wondered for an hour what the editor was driving at, when he happened to think of the word "unsettled." He sent the required amount next day.—Bristol Courier.

— Charlotte Observer: A puzzle studied out and set to the straight, a chance at an unknown something in the way of land in the Northwest and then an awakening to the fact that there was a real and true value attached to it all. A young lady student at the Presbyterian College, and a native of Sharon township, noticed in a puzzle in a newspaper several years ago that carried with its solving the awarding of a town lot in Montana. After much and studious effort she figured it out and sent her answer to the advertisers. Soon after the information came that her solution was correct and a special call upon her for the remittance of the small sum of $2. Then came the deed. The young lady received another letter from the same section of the country. Only a few days ago it came—last Saturday—in one of those long official envelopes, and the words of that letter were to the effect that the lot, to which she held a deed, had appreciated in value to such an extent that $500, less a personal or good-will fee of $50, payable to the attorney would be sent her in exchange therefor. No investigation followed and the woman is a satisfied and believing investor to the extent of a profit clearance of $448.

— The grocery store of D. M. Moore, at Burlington, was burglarised on Sunday night. Though the loss sustained by Mr. Moore is light, the safe was opened, but there was no money in it. Small amounts of flour, candy, etc., have been missed. On the same night thieves entered Dorsett's grocery store, in East Burlington, and made their escape with a considerable amount of Mr. Dorsett's stock. Entrance to the clothing store of D. F. Lamb was attempted, but the thieves were not successful. Joe Vanderford, who lives in East Burlington, had stolen from his home several hundred pounds of meat, but the snow, which fell during the night, enabled him to locate his meat in the home of Joe Love, colored. Love, upon seeing that he could not longer keep the meat at home started out with it, but being closely pursued, dropped the meat and made good his escape.

CASTORIA.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Charlotte Observer: Colonel Thomas S. Kenan has been elected president of the State Bar Association to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Col. H. C. Jones, of Charlotte. The Raleigh Post says of Col. Kenan that he "has in every walk of life and in his profession as practioner at the bar, as Attorney General of the State and as Supreme Court official, demonstrated that which his friends claim for him, a lawyer of the highest type, an honor to the legal fraternity, a dignified, polished gentleman. The Bar Association has done honor to itself by placing Col. Kenan at its head." This estimate of Col. Kenan will be applauded by all the lawyers in the State.

— Charlotte Chronicle: The proposition before the Legislature to erect a monument on the Bethel battlefield, to Henry A. Wyatt of North Carolina, the first Confederate soldier killed in the Civil war, should enlist the favorable attention of the members of that body. Wyatt was but a boy. There are men living in Charlotte to-day who saw him shot down as he advanced across an open to set fire to a house behind which a body of Federals were massed, and from which position they were able to command the Confederate position. The story of Wyatt's bravery and of his death is familiar to all North Carolinians, but not to the outside world. By all means, Wyatt should have a monument.

— A dispatch from Burlington on Tuesday says: News has reached here from Tony, Caswell county, 20 miles north of Burlington, of the burning yesterday of the home of Mrs. Sarah A. Florence, mother of Mr. A. G. Florence, of the mercantile firm of Florence & Walker, of this place, in which Mrs. Florence and her daughter, Miss Bettie Florence, were burned to death. The fire was discovered about 1 o'clock in the afternoon and an alarm given. Upon the arrival of neighbors Miss Florence, who was in the yard at that time, ran in the house, when the walls gave way, entombing the two women. The charred body of Miss Florence was taken from the ruins, but that of Mrs. Florence was burned to ashes. Two hundred and seventeen dollars in gold coin was taken from the ruins.

— Charlotte Chronicle: Prof. J. A. Holmes and Mr. R. H. Sykes, of the United States Geological Survey, spent yesterday at the convict camps of Mecklenburg, in prosecution of their work of obtaining facts and figures as to good roads building, Mecklenburg county being the Mecca for all such pilgrims. They thoroughly inspected the county convict system and expressed the opinion that Mecklenburg "has the best equipped convict camps in the South." That has been the claim from the date of the establishment of the camps and is as true to-day as it was then. The fact is that the Mecklenburg convict system has been patterned after by county officials all over the South. Whenever any community gets up a good roads movement, it sends a delegation to Mecklenburg county, and always profits by it. Mecklenburg is the fountain head for knowledge in the art of good roads building.

— Washington correspondence of Charlotte Observer, Feb. 1st: Maj Henry A. London, together with Mrs. London, arrived here to-day from Annapolis, where their son, J. J. London, graduated. Besides being a member of the graduating class, Mr. London led the german, which was pronounced one of the most successful of the numerous and brilliant social functions that have been held at the Naval Academy. President Roosevelt was among those who witnessed the graduating exercises. This afternoon Mr. London visited the capital, where, as chairman of the North Carolina Appomattox commission, he extended to members of the North Carolina and Virginia delegations a formal invitation to go to Appomattox on April 9th, when a monument will be placed on the spot where the last volley was fired by Cox's brigade, of Grimes' division. This occasion will be the fortieth anniversary of the surrender, and the exercises will take place on Sunday, the same day of the week of the surrender. The Virginia members, as well as North Carolina, made it known that the invitation was accepted gladly, every member saying he would certainly be there. The invitation was extended to the members while all were together in the marble room of the Senate.

— Charlotte Observer: "Who is John White, the Charlotte man smothered by gas in New York, Sunday night?" was the all-important question on the streets yesterday. But no one could give a satisfactory answer. The mystery thickens as the search progresses. There is no Mrs. John White here. But there is something strange about the New York report. The Sun of yesterday had the story practically as it appeared in the Observer, and with the following closing paragraph. "A letter was found on the man addressed to Jno White, Arsenal Hotel, and asked him to write to "his dear wife." It was signed Emma and was addressed from 211 East Fourth street, Charlotte, N. C." The Observer men, assisted by police officers have sought in vain for 211 East Fourth street. No such number exists here. At the very moment that everybody was ready to give up in despair of connecting the dead man with Charlotte, a trustworthy citizen came along with this interesting story: "Two ladies met on one of the most prominent streets here today, near my office. The meeting was by chance. The women stopped and had the following conversation: 'Dead,' said the woman, a despondent looking woman. 'Is that so?' asked the other. 'Where?' 'In New York.' The conference was concluded in whispers, so low that I could not catch what was said. Could the woman have been the widow of the dead man? Oh, but if I had followed her, and found where she lived!" The man who told that story is not impulsive. He took things calmly. But he is wrought up over what he heard. There is something weired about the case. Sherlock Holmes might unravel the mystery.

MOHAMMEDANS AND DOGS.

They Take Particular Pains Not to Come in Contact.

In Egypt dogs are never permitted to enter the dwelling of a Mohammedan, and if one is found in a mosque he is immediately put to death.

In consequence of this excommunication from the society which this animal seems so instinctively disposed to cultivate, Egyptian dogs live, for the most part, in the open air, feeding upon garbage and any other filth that chance throws in their way. Yet they are found to be faithful protectors of the property and even persons of the very men by whom they are thus despitefully treated, although, Sonini remarks, it is extremely curious to see the pains taken by a Mussulman and a dog when they happen to meet to avoid coming in contact with each other. Notwithstanding this state of persecution, dogs are remarkably numerous in the towns of Egypt. The species is a large one, about the size and make of the greyhound. As a proof of the Mohammedan prejudice against this useful animal, it is sufficient to state that they regard the terms Christian and dog as synonymous—both, of course, in the most opprobrious sense.

As a singular contrast for their dislike for dogs, the Egyptians have ever held cats in greatest veneration, and in ancient time even worshiped them. And historians tell us that Bubastis and Atribes, two towns in Egypt, the former a votary of cats and the latter of mice, contracted on that account so strong an antipathy to each other that the inhabitants were never known to intermarry, although only a few miles asunder. In some parts of India, too, we are told, they have a similar reverence for grimalkin, as the only crimes punished capitally there are the murder of a man and a cat.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

TRIALS OF DIPLOMATS.

They Were Many In the Early Days of American History.

There exists a popular tendency to overrate the delights and to underrate the hardships of the diplomatic life; but, however much opinions may differ on this point, there can be no doubt that the office of an American diplomatist in the days of the Revolution was no holiday pastime.

If he was not already in Europe, his journey to his post was beset with perils graver than those of the elements. In the eyes of the British law American revolutionists were simply "rebels," the reprobation of whose conduct was likely to be proportionate to their prominence and activity, and the seas were scoured by British cruisers, the dreaded embodiment of England's maritime supremacy. Deane went abroad secretly before independence was declared, but when his presence in France became known the British government asked that he be seized and delivered up into its custody. Franklin sailed for France on a small vessel of war belonging to congress, called the Reprisal. On the way over she took two prizes, and more than once, on descrying a suspicious sail, cleared for action. Had she been captured by the British, Franklin would have had an opportunity to test the truth of his remark to his associates in congress that they must "either hang together or hang separately." John Adams, on his first journey, took passage on an American vessel; on his second he embarked on the French frigate Sensible and landed at Ferrol, in Spain. Jay committed his fate to the American man-of-war Confederacy and, like Adams and Franklin, reached his destination.—Harper's Magazine.

An Isolated Church.

In the valley of Westdale Head, in Cumberland, England, a strange little church nestles amid a group of the highest of England's mountains. It is over 400 years old and has two windows, and the pulpit is lighted by a pane of glass having been inserted in a hole in the roof above it. There are only eight pews, of which seldom more than two are used. The little bell, hanging loose in the open belfry, may on stormy nights be heard mingling its tones with the wind and thunder. But for the belfry it would hardly be known to be a church. This little gray edifice is described as the most isolated church throughout the whole of England.

Good Reason.

A school inspector, explaining to his class that the land of the world was not continuous, said to the boy who happened to be standing nearest to him:

"Now, could your father walk round the world?"

"No, sir," was the prompt reply.

"Why not?"

"Because he's broken his leg," was the altogether unlooked for response.—Chums.

On the Other Hand.

Lawyer—Your case would have been stronger, Mr. McGuire, if you had acted only on the defensive, but you struck first. If you had let him strike you first you would have had the law on your side. Mr. McGuire—Yis, Oi'd had th' law on my soide, but Oi'd 'a' had him on my chest a-poundin' th' loife out av me.

Very Versatile.

Stage Manager—I think you are a trifle too stout to play Romeo. Heavy Tragedian—Why, my good man, I could play the part of an infant in arms! Art has no limitations, sir.—New York Times.

Physicians are constantly discovering some popular pastime or mode of attire that injures health. But the average of human life remains about the same.—Washington Star.

On pleasant days there is no better place to spend an hour or two than the beach. The 10 o'clock car lays over in the beach an hour and three quarters. The 3 o'clock car lays over an hour and one quarter. †

Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing diseases for over thirty-five years. A sure protection to you is our name on the wrapper. Look for it on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & Co., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada. †

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over 60 years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, aleays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 1.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 51½c bid per gallon.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $3.30 per barrel for hard, $3.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at $2.50; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine firm at $2.50@4.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	10
Rosin	222
Tar	249
Crude turpentine	32

Receipts same day last year—7 casks spirits turpentine, 120 barrels rosin, 462 barrels tar, 69 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 6¾c for middling.

Same day last year, market steady at 15¾c for middling.

Receipts—251 bales; same day last year, 1,265.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 95c; extra prime, $1.00; fancy, $1.10, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, dull, 10@11c.

EGGS—Dull at 18@20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 15@35c; springs, 12½@15c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 13½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 6@7c net.

PEAS—White, $1.75@1.85; clay, $1.10@1.25.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@75c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2@3½c per pound.

Cotton and Naval Stores.

MONTHLY STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

For month of January, 1905.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
8,384	793	6,898	3,999	1,547

RECEIPTS.

For month of January, 1904.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
17,261	628	7,798	3,404	1,180

EXPORTS.

For month of January, 1905.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	23	846	1,383	4,273	505
Foreign	17,522	....	6,870	....	....
	17,545	846	9,253	4,273	505

EXPORTS.

For month of January, 1904.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	363	610	2,651	2,126	....
Foreign	17,038	....	12,607	55	....
	17,391	610	15,258	2,181	....

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat February 1, 1905.

	Ashore.	Afloat.	Total.
Cotton	4,178	....	4,178
Spirits	749	10	759
Rosin	36,144	2	36,146
Tar	2,175	....	2,175
Crude	663	....	663

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat February 1, 1904.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
6,921	760	15,610	1,031	318

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Money on call firmer at 1¾@2½ per cent.; closing bid 2 per cent.; offered at 2½ per cent; time loans steady; sixty days 3 per ct.; ninety days 3 per cent.; six months 3¼@3½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4¼ per cent. Sterling exchange was strong, with actual business in bankers' bills 488@488.05 for demand and at 485.75@485.80 for sixty day bills. Posted rates 486@486½ and 488½@489. Commercial bills 485½@485¾. Bar silver 60¾. Mexican dollars 47¾. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104¾; do. coupon, 104¾; U. S. 3's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, ex int., 103¾; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 130¾; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, ex int., 130¾; U. S. 4's, old; reg'd, 105¾; do. coupon, 105¾, American Tobacco 4's cert., ex int., 74; American Tobacco 6,s cert., 114¾; Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 102¾; Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 103 bid; Seaboard Air Line 4's 88¾; Southern Railway 5's, 119¾. Stocks: Atlantic Coast Line 130; Baltimore & Ohio preferred 96¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 49¾; Louisville & Nashville 137¾; Manhattan L 170; New York Central 147¾; Reading 89¾; do. 1st pref'd, 93¾; do. 2nd pref'd 88¾; Southern Railway 34; do. pref'd 97¾; Amalgamated Copper 73¾; People's Gas 107¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 71¾; U. S. Leather 13¾; U. S. Leather preferred, 103¾; Western Union 92; U. S. Steel 30; do. preferred 94¾; Mexican Central 22¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 34; sales — shares; do. preferred, closed 107¾; sales — shares. Standard Oil 640.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 1.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 18@18½; do. preferred 37¼@37¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 1.—Spirits turpentine and rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 1.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51½c; receipts 78 casks; sales 100 casks; shipments 5 casks. Rosin firm receipts 1,360 barrels; sales 2,852 barrels; shipments 1,350 barrels: A, B, C, $2 55@2 60; D, $2 60@2 62½; E, $2 62½@2 67½; F, $2 67½@2 75; G, $2 82½@2 92½; H $3 15; I, $3 50; K, $4 05; M, $4 50; N, $4 75; W G, $5 00: W W $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Speculative attention was centered on the second installment of the ginners' report giving the amount of cotton ginned to January 16th. The first disposition evidently was to prepare for a bearish showin—one that might reveal such a surplus as to hasten spot liquidation, but the report proved to be without special difference from the first installment issued last week, and after the figures were made public the market advanced sharply, closing firm at an advance of eight to fourteen points for the day. The opening was steady, with March one point lower and other positions unchanged to two points higher or about in line, with fairly steady cables and overnight messages from the South, reporting a better spot demand at higher prices late yesterday. It developed, however, that the professional element were looking for bearish census report and within half an hour after the opening short selling and scattering liquidation had depressed the market to a net loss of some eight to ten points. Following this there was a rally on covering to within two to three points of last night's close, when the ginners' figures were made public. These showed that in 695 counties 9,717,693 bales had been ginned as compared with 7,168,381 bales in the same counties for the same time last year. It was stated that the counties remaining to report had ginned 2,748,738 bales of the total amount reported ginned to Dec. 13th, and the local trade drew the inference that the 695 counties now reporting had ginned about 77 per cent of the total reported last month, so that the statement was considered as indicative of 12,635,000 bales ginned to Jan. 16th over the belt, with the exception of such amounts as gins refused to report. According to today's report 477 gins in the 695 counties refused to furnish information, but as these gins reported only some 134,000 bales of the total amount ginned to Dec. 13, the addition from this source would not make a very material alteration. On the whole, the showing was taken as indicative of a 13,000,000 bale crop, and was not thought likely to have any immediate influence on Southern holders, who for the time being, are evidently marketing very slowly. After the report there was a covering by local shorts, promoted also by the reports of firmer spot markets South, and the market was finally firm in tone, at practically the best point of the session. Sales futures were estimated at 350,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Cotton—The market was quiet at 7 35; net receipts 130 bales; gross receipts 5,732 bales; stock 90,575 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 10 points higher; middling upland 7.35; middling gulf 7 60; sales 2,658 bales.

Futures opened steady: February 6 85 bid, March 6.90, April 6.93, May 6.99, June 7.04 bid, July 7.10, August 7.16, September 7.20, October 7.25, November 7 29 bid, December 7 35.

Futures market closed firm: February 6.97, March 7.04, April 7.08, May 7.13, June 7 18, July 7.22, August 7.25, September 7.27, October 7 32.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 15,766 bales; exports to Great Britain 4,845 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 16,628 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico 480 bales; stock 828,471 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 108,263 bales; exports to Great Britain 21,684 bales; exports to France 3,020 bales; exports to Continent 56,381 bales; exports to Japan 8,083 bales; exports to Mexico 1,314 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,673,113 bales, exports to Great Britain 2,456,772 bales; exports to France 551,658 bales; exports to the Continent 1,997,137 bales; exports to Japan 90,444 bales; exports to Mexico 19,054 bales.

Feb 1.—Galveston, firm at 7 3 16c. net receipts 6,904 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7⅛c, net receipts 717 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7⅛c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 7.35c, net receipts 160 bales; Wilmington, steady at 6¾, net receipts 251 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 7.60c, net receipts 25 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7c, net receipts 2,415 bales; New Orleans, firm at 7c, net receipts 4,884 bales; Mobile, steady at 6⅞c, net receipts 467 bales; Memphis, firm at 7⅛, net receipts 634 bales; Augusta, steady at 7⅛c, net receipts 372 bales; Charleston, steady at 6¾, net receipts 313 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Flour was firm but quiet. Rye flour steady. Wheat—Spot easy, No. 2 red $1 22½ f. o. b. afloat. Options closed weak at at ¼@⅜c net decline: May closed $1 16⅛; July closed $1 03; September closed 96⅛c. Corn—Spot irregular; No. 2 53½c at elevator. Options ⅛c net lower; May closed 50c; July closed 50⅛c. Oats—Spot easy; mixed, 26@32 pounds, 36@36½. Lard easy; Western $7 15; refined barely steady; continent $7 25; compound 4¾@5¼. Pork steady. Cheese firm; State, small, colored and white, 8¾@12¾c. Eggs steady; State, nearby extra 33@34c; Southern 22@30c. Butter strong; creamery, common to extra 20@30c. Peanuts steady; fancy hand-picked 5¼@5½c; other domestic grades 3¼@5¼. Tallow steady. Potatoes—Market steady; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 75@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 40; Jersey sweets $2 00@4 00. Cabbages steady; flat Dutch, per 100, $2 00@3 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 12@14c. Sugar—Raw quiet; refined steady. Cotton seed oil dull and barely steady: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 16@16½c; prime summer yellow 24¼@24½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 27@27½c; prime winter yellow 27½@28c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Alleged poor demand for flour in the Northwest started selling of wheat here to-day. Final quotations on May wheat were off ⅝c; corn is down ¼c; oats show a loss of ⅜@½c and provisions 5@12c

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Cash prices: Flour quiet. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 13@1 16; No. 3 do. $1 02@$1 15; No. 2 red $1 18½@1 20¼. Corn—No. 2 42¾c; No 3 yellow 43c. Oats—No. 2 29¾c; No. 3 white, 31¼c; No. 3 white 30¼@@31¼c Rye—No. 2,75c. Mess pork, per bbl, $12 60@12 65. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 70@6 72. Short rib sides, loose, $6 50@6 52. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no market report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 23.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 16¾@1 17, 1 17¼. 1 16¼, 1 16¼@1 16¼. July 99¾, 99¼, 99, 99. Corn—February 41¾, 41¾, 41¾, 41¾c; May 45@45¼, 45¼, 44¾, 44¾@44¾c; July 45¼, 45¾, 45¼, 45¼@45¼. Oats—February —, —, —, 29¼; May 30⅝@30¾, 30¾, 30¼, 30@30⅛c; July 30¼, 30¾, 29¾, 29¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—February —, —, —, $12 60; May $12 97, 13 00, 12 80, 12 80. Lard, per 100 lb—February —, —, —, $6 70; May $7 02, 7 02, 6 90, 6 90; July, $7 12½, 7 15, 7 02, 7 05. Short ribs per 100 lbs—February —, —, —, $6 62; May $6 90, 6 92, 6 82, 6 82; July $7 02, 7 05, 6 97, 6 97.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 8 9-16c; mild quiet. Futures were were steady and unchanged to a decline of 5 points; all moths lower except October.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 2.

STEAMERS.

Captain A F Lucas, 3,252 tons, Rubelli, Standard Oil Co.

Armenia, (Br) 1,555 tons, Scearf, Heide & Co.

SCHOONERS.

Crescent, 397 tons, Mehaffey, C D Maffitt.

Wm Booth, 435 tons, Emmons, C D Maffitt.

Harry W Haynes, 350 tons, Goodwin, C D Maffitt.

F & T Lupton, 797 tons, Longstreet, C D Maffitt.

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FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 1.—Cotton: Spot, in fair demand, with prices five points higher; American middling fair 4.28d; good middling 3.95d; middling 3 83d; low middling 3 71d; good ordinary 3.57d; ordinary 3.41d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 9,600 bales American. Receipts 20,000 bales, all American.

Futures opened firm and closed quiet and steady; American middling (g o c): February 3.67d; February and March 3.67d; March and April 3 72d; April and May 3.76d; May and June 3.79d; June and July 3.82d; July and August 3.84d; August and September 3.86d; September and October 3.88d; October and November 3.89d; November and December 3.90d.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—86 barrels rosin.

W. C. & A. Railroad—147 bales cotton, 22 barrels tar, 21 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—75 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 33 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—16 bales cotton.

Steamer Tar Heel—13 bales cotton, 111 barrels rosin, 176 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Franklin Pierce—14 barrels rosin, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner J. C. Allen—7 casks spirits turpentine, 11 barrels rosin, 18 barrels tar.

Total—251 bales cotton, 10 casks spirits turpentine, 222 barrels rosin, 249 barrels tar, 33 barrels crude turpentine.

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Schooner John R. Fell arrived to-day, Saturday with

10,000 BAGS OF 100 POUND WHITE COTTON SALT

We will begin to discharge same Monday, the 9th inst., and all orders will be shipped promptly. The Schooner C. C. Lister with

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is expected to arrive at any hour, so we will be in shape to take care of all orders in North and South Carolina that our customers may send us and immediate shipment will be made.

D. L. GORE COMPANY,

Wholesale Grocers and Importers.

ja 8 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Receiver's Sale.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county, made in the case of H. L. Vollers et al. vs. The Cape Fear and People's Steamboat Co., the undersigned receiver will sell to the highest bidder at public auction, for cash, in the city of Wilmington, on the 11th day of February, 1905, at 12 o'clock M., at the wharf on the Cape Fear River, between Dock and Orange streets, in said city of Wilmington the Steamer A. P. Hurt, and all her tackle, apparel and furniture.

D. McEACHERN, Receiver.

January 19, 1905. jan 20 t

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Cut Wood, Oak, Ash, Black Jack or Pine,	$1.25 per load
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Felt Romeos, were $1.50, now $1.00
Crochet Slippers, were $1.00, now 50c
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Children's Velvet and Crochet Slippers and Leggins at big Reductions. A lot of

Ladies Ultra Shoes

were $2.50, reduced to $1.98 and $2.50,

Solomon's Shoe Store.

jan 22 tf

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To New Orleans, La., Pensacola, Fla., Mobile, Ala., account of Mardi Gras celebration at the above points, March 2nd to 7th by

S. A. L. RAILWAY.

The Seaboard announces a rate of one fare plus 25 cents from all points on its line to New Orleans, La., Pensacola, Fla., and Mobile, Ala., and return, account of the Mardi Gras Celebration at the above points March 2d to 7th. Tickets will be sold March 1st to 6th, inclusive, with final limit to leave all these points not later than March 11th, on payment of fee of 50 cents and an extension of limit can be obtained until March 25th.

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REPORT

OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, at Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 11th, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 722 957 58
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	18,141 21
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	125 000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits	104,850 00
Bonds, securities, etc	39,850 10
Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures	20,000 00
Other real estate owned	10 000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents	169 937 54
Due from State Banks and Bankers	176 873 88
Due from approved reserve agents	78,611 93
Checks and other cash items	125 00
Notes of other National Banks	18,135 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	518 93
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$38,800 00
Legal tender notes	25,415 00 64,224 50
Redemption fund with U S Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	3,000 00
Total	$1,542,141 32

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	83,449 98
National Bank notes outstanding	122 000 00
Due to other National Banks	58,937 94
Due to State Banks and Bankers	159,447 33
Dividends unpaid	544 00
Individual deposits subject to check	786 991 94
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,470 93
United States Deposits	104 800 00
Total	$1,542,141 32

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss:

I, J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of January, 1905.

W. C. ARMSTRONG, Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
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D. McEACHERN,
JNO S. ARMSTRONG, } Directors.
jan 15 tf

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NEW YORK STREETS.

HOW SOME OF THE OLD ONES GAINED THEIR NAMES.

Trinity Church Had More to Do With Bestowing Them Than All Other Authorities Combined—The Reason Broadway Killed Hudson Street.

The churchwardens of old Trinity church had more to do with naming the streets in the lower part of old New York than all other authorities combined. To be sure, the quaint burgomasters, before the first Trinity church was built, after hearing the pros and cons of landowners, found names for many streets significant of certain established facts, for streets and byways below Maiden lane on the easterly side of the Heere straat, afterward changed to Great George street, in honor of King George, by the authorities of Trinity. Then our patriots ignored the name and called it Bloomingdale road and then the Broad way, simplified into Broadway.

The present Trinity church, at the head of Wall street, is the third edifice of that name, the two preceding structures erected upon the same ground having been burned, but the first was one of the first churches erected in this city, and Trinity has always been the wealthiest corporation, patronized by the richest and most influential families for ages. The churchwardens of this church had their own way about naming the streets from the church to what is now Twenty-third street, west of Broadway, along the Hudson river front, because they owned that immense property.

In the olden time Queen Anne of England owned what was known as the Queen's farm, which covered the land commencing at St. Paul's church and extending to what is now Twenty-third street, bounded by Broadway on the east and the Hudson river on the west.

Vestry street was so styled by Trinity because the church had a vestry in that street between Hudson and Greenwich streets. Church street was so called because it bounded the west side of St. Paul's churchyard. Rector street was honored by the residence of the rector of Trinity. Barclay and Vesey streets were named after two clergymen of the church.

Trinity's officers determined that the main artery of the city should run through its land, and, grounded in their belief in their ability to carry out their intention, Hudson street was laid out. St. John's park and many other improvements were offered as inducements to purchasers of land, and St. John's chapel was erected and finished in 1803, one of the handsomest pieces of church architecture in the city. Trinity counted without an expression of the majority of the people and failed in its endeavor.

The arrogance of the church fretted the good people, and more to spite the churchwardens than because Broadway was nearer the center of the city Broadway acquired the preference, and the glory of Hudson street departed, never to return.

It has been remarked that the streets laid out by Trinity on the farm are all perfectly straight, while many in the lower part of the city are wonderfully crooked. The explanation of this lies in the fact that scarcely a small hill existed on the farm, while below there crooked lanes and byways, to say nothing of cow paths, were turned into streets, which ran in devious ways around hills, valleys and swamps. Many streets were named after the owners of property adjacent to or through which the ways were laid.

Moore street was originally the line of the first wharf erected in the city. Colonel Moore was formerly a large owner of the lots when first built upon. John street was named after John Harpending, who resided in Broadway, and John street when first laid out passed through his garden. Cortlandt, Dey and Beekman streets were carried through the property of the men after whom they were named. Ann street was named after Ann Beekman. Vandewater, Roosevelt, Rutgers, Gouverneur, Harrison, Lispenard, Bayard, De Lancey, Rivington and Willett streets were so designated because they passed through the property of people bearing these names.

Hester street was named after one of the Bayard family and Catharine after Catharine Rutgers. Henry street was named after a son of the Rutgers family, and Jacob street bounded the Jacob Leisler estate. Frankfort street was also a boundary of the same estate. Leisler was a native of Frankfurt. James street was named after a member of the De Lancey family, as was also Oliver street. Batavia lane was so called because the Roosevelt estate, through which this street was run, was called New Batavia.

Division street was originally the division line between the De Lancey and Rutgers farms. Leonard street was named after one of the Lispenards, and Orchard street was cut through the orchard of the De Lancey farm. Sheriff street was called after Sheriff Willett, through whose estate it was carried. Mangin and Goerck streets were named after the two city surveyors who laid out the river line.

The first mayor of New York after the Revolution, a true patriot, was James Duane, who was honored by the naming of Duane street after him.

Elm, Orange and Mulberry streets were laid out through public property in the vicinity of the Collect pond and owe their names to the peculiarities they suggest. Cherry street was originally run through "the road by the cherry trees" and named accordingly. —New York Herald.

Rogues differ little. Each began as a disobedient son.—Chinese Proverb.

An Opportunist.

The bride and bridegroom sat side by side. "Dearest!" he said, looking up into her eyes, for he was the smaller, so that he really and truly looked up and into her eyes. "Yes, love," she responded in soft, frightened mouse tones. "If I had known that tunnel was that long I would have kissed you." "Didn't you kiss me?" she asked with much surprise. "No," he replied. "Well, somebody did."—Cleveland Leader.

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It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly affected grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Its the best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

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Now you get a chance to eat part of the large orange, as you are to

AN ORANGE CHINAMAN.

clean all the fruit from one half and turn the peel up neatly all around. This makes the hat with its brim. Stand the other half on its flat side, its curved top forming the Chinaman's chest and shoulders.

You can further dress him by paring off a piece around the hat brim, which will do for a yellow scarf. His eyebrows are formed by two sharp cuts over the eyes, and he is completed by a pigtail made of a strand of twine, which can be fastened to the back of the Chinaman's head.

LONDON IN 1700.

When Traitors' Heads Adorned London Bridge and Temple Bar.

London in 1700 was a comparatively small city of about 600,000 inhabitants, the rough and ill kept main roads to which had been but slightly improved since Tudor times. The ghastly spectacle of many of the trees on the Southwark road bending under their burden of hanged men had indeed been slightly modified, but none the less the decomposing heads of "traitors" still filled the atmosphere about London bridge and Temple Bar with myriads of baneful microbes.

Our immediate forbears were evidently not overparticular about sights and smells. They were accustomed to see men sitting in the pillory pelted with rotten eggs and possibly included among their immediate circle not a few who had been deprived of their noses and ears for expressing too freely their opinions, political and religious.

The drains were in an appalling condition. The innumerable churchyards were so full of coffins that they often projected through the turf. Bear and bull baiting, dog fights and boxing matches were attended even by royalty as late as 1820, and five years later all the "dandies" in London were paying high prices to stand in the carts round Tyburn to behold twenty-two of their fellow creatures hanged for misdemeanors which in our time would be punished with a few days' imprisonment.—Saturday Review.

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It is the rarest thing in the world for a man to be necessarily bald. No man whose hair is not dead at the roots, need be bald if he will use Newbro's Herpicide, the new scalp antiseptic. Herpicide destroys the germ that cuts the hair off at the root; and cleans the scalp of dandruff and leaves it in a perfectly healthy condition. Mr. Mannett, in the Maryland Block, Butte, Mont., was entirely bald. In less than a month Herpicide had removed the enemies of hair growth, and nature did its work by covering his head with thick hair an inch long, and in six weeks he had a normal suit of hair. Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

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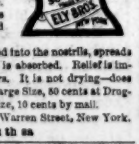

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 11

To Take Effect Thursday, Sept. 8, 1904, at 10.19 A. M.

GOING EAST. Passg'r Trains Arrive	Passg'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Passg'r Trains Arrive	Passg'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 30	Goldsboro	11 06	.....
.....	4 23	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 27	9 00
7 25	7 07	Morehead City	.....	6 55
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.25 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

E. S. HOWLAND, President.
E. F. FOSTER, Gen'l Manager.
sep 10 tf S. L. DILL, Supt.

To The Beach and Wrightsville

Suburban and City Schedule.

In Effect January 12, 1905.

Suburban Schedule (daily except Sunday.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave the Beach
6.30 A. M.	8.00 A. M.
10 00 A. M.	12 30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.
	Leave Wrightsville
6.10 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 " "	8.15 " "
9 00 " "	9.30 " "
10 00 " "	10.30 " "

Extra Cars on Sundays.

Note: Trains leaving Front and Princess Sts. at 8.10, 7.30, 9:00 and 10.00 P. M. will go over to Beach on request.

The 5 o'clock car comes back to The "Light house" at 4.80 P. M., thus giving one an opportunity to enjoy an oyster roast as well as visit the ocean.

CITY SCHEDULE.
Regular City Cars.

Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets every 10 minutes beginning at 7.35 A. M., daily except Sunday. Sunday at 8.25 A. M. Last Brooklyn and Belt line cars leave Front and Princess streets at 12.05 midnight.

Hospital and Cemetery Cars. (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Cemetery
9.00 A. M.	9.30 A. M.
3.10 P. M.	3.30 P. M.
4.50 P. M.	5.00 P. M.

Delgado and Golf Link Car (Without change.) Daily except Sunday.

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Golf Links.
3.40 P. M.	4.00 P. M.
5.10 " "	5.30 " "

A. C. L. Depot Car (Without change).

Leave Front and Princess	Leave A. C. L. Depot
10.00 A. M.	10.10 A. M.
3.40 P. M.	3.50 P. M.

S. A. L. Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave S. A. L. Depot
12.35 P. M.	12.45 P. M.
3.55 P. M.	3.00 P. M.
11.15 P. M.	11.30 P. M.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.
Daily except Sunday.

Leave 9th and Orange	Leave the Beach
3.00 P. M.	4.30 P. M.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect Dec. 1, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 43	No 42
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	10 48 p m	9 32 p m
Ar Wilson	1 15 p m	10 25 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 58 p m	11 16 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 55 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	5 55 p m	3 03 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 05 a m	11 20 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	2 30 a m	5 35 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	3 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	4 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	6 30 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 05 p m
Ar Wilson	11 39 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	3 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	*Daily.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	9 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 05 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	5 45 p m	2 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	8 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 30 p m	10 25 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	* Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 14 p m	5 50 a m
Ar Florence	7 50 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 55 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD

	West Bound *Daily		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar	3 40 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 50 p m	Ar	4 45 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv	5 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday		South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3 35 p m	Ar	12 30 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv	9 00 a m

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Leave Wilmington	4 35 a m	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	8 50 a m	10 10 p m
" Southern Pines	9 45 a m	11 00 p m
" Raleigh	11 40 a m	1 30 a m
" Norlina	1 35 p m	3 27 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	8 10 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 36 a m
" Washington	8 36 p m	10 10 a m
" Baltimore	11 25 p m	11 50 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 45 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 31	No. 35
Leave New York	12 25 p m	9 25 p m
" Philadelphia	2 55 p m	12 13 a m
" Baltimore	5 10 p m	2 27 a m
" Washington	6 25 p m	4 30 a m
" Richmond	10 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 00 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 35 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	3 38 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	5 53 a m	6 15 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 30 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta.

SOUTHBOUND.		No. 41
Leave Wilmington		3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet		10 15 p m
" Columbia		12 20 a m
" Savannah		4 40 a m
" Jacksonville		9 40 a m
Arrive Tampa		5 45 p m
NORTHBOUND	No. 66	
Leave Tampa	8 50 a m	
" Jacksonville	7 30 p m	
" Savannah	10 10 p m	
" Columbia	2 30 a m	
" Hamlet	6 40 a m	
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 2.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS

Moon and Baker in House Score Democrats Who Voted for Railway Mail Subsidy for Southern Railway.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The post-office appropriation bill occupied the attention of the House the major portion of to-day. In the course of its consideration the usual annual fight on the subject of special mail facilities on trunk lines cropped out, which provoked from Mr. Moon, of Tennessee, an arraignment of those Democrats supporting the proposition.

For an hour or more the House discussed proposed legislation looking to to the regulation of railroads, the principal remarks being made by Messrs. Shirley, of Kentucky, and Sibley, of Pennsylvania.

In closing his remarks Mr. Sibley, replying to a question by Mr. James, of Kentucky, expressed it as his belief that in the matter of legislation to restrict the carriers President Roosevelt was animated by a sincere desire for justice.

Mr. Baker, of New York, discussing the rate question, attacked Secretary of the Navy Morton, who, he said, was a self-confessed violator of the law. "We are told there should be a square deal," he said, in sarcasm, but he alleged that the cards were stacked "in the interest of men who control the great railroads of the country." Incidentally Mr. Baker declared that "the innocence of the members of the House regarding restraining the railroads is accounted by the little card cases in their pockets."

The fight on the appropriation for special mail facilities on trunk lines was begun, when Mr. Norris, of Nebraska, moved to strike out that feature of the bill.

The position of the Second Assistant Postmaster General on the subject was stated by Mr. Moon, of Tennessee, to be that the special service was a hindrance rather than a benefit. That official, he said, had declared it to be mandatory upon him to expend the money appropriated. A dozen or more members, mostly from the South, were on their feet anxious to be heard. Mr. Kluttz, of North Carolina, vigorously controverted the statements of Mr. Moon as to the attitude of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, but Mr. Moon reiterated his first statement. He scored those Democrats in the House who have favored the proposition, saying that they might as well understand that they could not make an exception in this case and yet inveigh against subsides proposed by the Republican party. "If you are Democrats," he said amid applause, "be national Democrats and not Southern Railway subsidy Democrats. The whole proposition, he argued, was wrong in all its essentials.

The provision was defended by Mr. Underwood, of Alabama, upon the plea that second class mail privileges to newspapers also was a subsidy, and yet he said there was no proposition to abolish it.

With an understanding that discussion of the question should be continued to-morrow, the bill was laid aside and the House adjourned.

THE STATEHOOD BILL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Messrs. Clark of Montana, Dillingham and Teller to day continued in the Senate the discussion of the joint statehood bill, Mr. Dillingham supporting the measure as it stands and the other two senators contending for amendments and the right of the four territories to be admitted as so many States. In the course of his remarks, in reply to Mr. Dillingham, Mr. Teller charged that Vermont had retrograded and quoted figures to show that there had been a falling off in the value and number of farms in that State. Mr. Dillingham replied that this cause was due to the consolidation of small farms.

A number of semi-public bills were passed during the day.

FOUGHT WITH REVOLVERS.

One Man Killed and Five Wounded in a Georgia Row.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ABBEVILLE, GA., Feb. 1.—One person was killed and five wounded as the result of a dispute over a land line near Rhine, seven miles north of this place, las evening. The dead: W. P. Livingston, bailiff. Wounded: M. A. Burnham, W. B. Bryant, Tom Coffee and Mrs. Georgie Ray.

Livingston and one of the Bryants, it is reported, attacked and seriously beat a son of M. A. Burnham last Friday. Burnham met Bryant the next day and thrashed him. When the aggrieved men and their relatives met yesterday, prepared for trouble, the shooting began. Mrs. Ray, a sister of the Bryants, rushed to the scene and was struck by a stray bullet There is no information as to the nature of the wounds received by those who are not killed, but it is reparted that further trouble is expected.

NEW NAVY GREYHOUND.

The Cruiser Maryland for Four Hours Made 22.406 Knots Per Hour.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Capt. Dayton, president of the navy board of inspection and survey, has reported to the Navy Department that the armored cruiser Maryland, on her recent official trial off the coast of Massachusetts developed a speed of 22.406 knots an hour for four consecutive hours, exceeding by .40 of a knot the contract speed of requirements. This is the official speed rating of the vessel after allowances, and shows that while the Maryland failed to equal the speed record of 22.436 knots made by the Pennsylvania, it exceeded the records of the Colorado, 22 244, and that of the West Virginia, 22.146. These vessels are all of the same type.

PITTSBURG PHILL DEAD.

Famous Racing Devotee Died at Asheville Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 1.—George E. Smith, better known to the racing world and throughout the country as "Pittsburg Phil," the turf plunger, died here to-day at the Winyah sanitarium of consumption, aged 43. His mother, his brother, W. C. Smith, and a nephew, J. C. McGill, were with him at the time of his death. "Pittsburg Phil" came to Asheville some four months ago in an almost hopeless condition, mentally and physically. For a time he rallied, but the end was sure. His death, though expected, came suddenly. The remains will leave here to-morrow afternoon for Pittsburg.

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THE CZAR TALKS TO THE WORKMEN.

He Summoned Thirty-two to His Palace and Promised Them Reforms.

SEVERELY REBUKED THEM.

Told the Delegation That the Workmen Allowed Themselves to be Led Astray by Traitors—The Strike Situation Improving.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

Favorable results are expected to follow the audience by Emperor Nicholas at Tsarkoe Selo to thirty-two workmen representing the leading industrial establishments of St. Petersburg. In additions to paternal admissions bestowed upon the workmen, $25,000 has been given by the Emperor, empress and dowager empress for the relief of the families of those who were killed or badly wounded in the affair of January 22d. The manufacturers of St. Peteraburg have made concessions to the strikers and contributed to the relief fund. The situation in Poland and other of the provinces continues strained, and strikes are reported from Irkutsk and several other Siberian towns.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 1.—Emperor Nicholas this afternoon received at Tsarkoe Selo a deputation of 34 workmen, representing the employes of the factories and workshops of St. Petersburg. The deputation was accompanied by Minister of Finance Kokosvoff and Governor General Trepoff and proceded by the imperial road to Tsarkoe Selo, where carriages were awaiting them at a point near the imperial pavilion. On arriving there the workmen were admitted to one of the halls of the palace. The Emperor entered the hall accompanied by Grand Duke George Mikhailo vitch and General Hesse, the minister of the imperial court and the commander of the palace. The workmen bowed deeply to the Emperor, who said: "Good day, my children."

The workmen replied: "We wish your majesty good health."

The emperor then said: "I have summoned you in order that you may hear my words from myself and communicate them to your companions. The recent lamentable events with such sad but inevitable results have occurred because you allowed yourselves to be led astray by traitors and enemies to our country. When they induced you to address a petition to me on your needs they desired to see a revolt against me. They forced you to leave your honest work at a period when all Russian workmen should be laboring unceasingly in order that we might vanquish our obstinate enemy. Strikes and disgraceful demonstrations led the crowds to disorders which obliged the authorities to call out troops. As a result innocent people were victims. I know that the lot of the workman is not easy. Many things require improvement, but have patience. You will understand that it is necessary to be just towards your employers and to consider the condition of our industries. But to come to me as a rebellious mob in order to declare your wants is a crime. In my solicitude for the working classes I will take measures which will assure that everything possible will be done to improve their lot and secure an investigation of their demands through legal channels. I am convinced of the honesty of the workmen and their devotion to myself and I pardon their transgression. Return to your work with your comrades and carry out the tasks allotted to you. May God assist you."

At the conclusion of his speech the emperor told the members of the deputation to communicate his words to their comrades and said he would supply them with printed copies of his address.

After leaving the palace the deputation proceeded to a neighboring church where they prayed and after kissing Ikons placed lighted candles before the shrines. Subsequently they were given dinner in a building which was formerly the high school of Tsarkoe Selo. One of the members of the deputation proposed the health of the emperor which was drunk with cheers. The delegates then drove to the imperial pavilion, whence they took a train for St. Petersburg.

HORRIBLE ACCIDENT TO SLEIGHING PARTY.

Train Ran into Sleigh Containing Thirteen and Ten of Them Were Killed—The Others Terribly Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HORNELLSVILLE, N. Y., Feb. 1.—A passenger train on the Pittsburg, Shawmut and Northern Railroad to-night crashed into a sleigh containing 13 women, killed ten of them and seriously injured the remaining three. The accident occurred near Export. The sleigh was one of three carrying a party from the Universalist church of this city.

Members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Universalist church went to a farm house near Arkport to spend the afternoon. It was nearly dark when they started on the return trip to the city. The occupants of the leading sleigh saw the train approaching as they neared the Shamut crossing. The driver urged his horses ahead and the sleigh manged to pass the tracks in safety. The women in the first sleigh attempted to warn those following of the danger and they did succeed in directing their attention to the rapidly approaching train. The driver pulled up his horses but he could not check the heavy bob sled quickly enough and when it came to a standstill the box of the sleigh was directly across the railroad track. The pilot of the engine struck the sleigh with great force, reducing it to splinters and hurling the women in all directions. Every woman on the sleigh was killed or injured.

The Northern Neck, the large and thriving section lying between the Rappahannock and Potomac rivers, in Virginia, has been for five days cut off from mail communication with the outside world by reason of the severity of the winter weather. Many of the wharves along the rivers have been swept away and the approaches to others have been obstructed by ice so that the steamers, which are the only means of communication, have not been able to make landings. The farmers of the region have been hauling their produce in wagons 40 or 50 miles to Fredericksburg.

THE CENSUS BUREAU'S COTTON GINNERS' REPORT.

Statistics Which Indicate a Crop of at Least 13,000,000 Bales—Nearly 500 Ginners Refused to Report.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—The Census report of cotton ginned to January 16 in 695 counties shows 9,717,693 bales, counting round bales as half bales, compared with 7,163,715 bales in the same counties last year. The quantity ginned in these counties by December 13th and January 16th is 494 954 running bales. To December 13th, 1904, the remaining number of unreported counties had ginned 2,748,238 counting round bales as half bales. Four hundred and seventy-seven ginneries refused to report. The quantity previously returned by these has been brought forward in this report without addition. The total number brought forward is 134,111 running bales. In the counties so far reporting the total running bales ginned prior to Jan. 16. 1905, were 9,808,080, including 180,675 round bales for the crop of 1904, and total running bales for 1904 for the counties reporting up to Jan. 16,1904, were 7,419,-690, including 502,618 round bales for the crop of 1903. The total active ginneries in operation prior to Jan. 16, 1905, in the counties so far reporting number 24,671 against 24,602 for the counties reporting to the same date in 1904. The total active ginners for 1904 prior to Jan. 16, for all counties, which is the complete report for that date, were 30,171, and the total cotton ginned from this final number of ginneries prior to Jan. 16, 1904, aggregated 9,859,277. The total number of counties from which ginning was reported last season is 812.

The report by States, in counties, reported to date for operations prior to January 16th last, is as follows: Alabama, 1,143,373 running bales ginned; Arkansas, 743,444 bales; Florida, 63,024 bales; Georgia, 1,856,406 bales; Indian Territory, 244,548 bales; Louisiana, 907,880 bales; Kentucky, 1,882 bales; Mississippi, 1,807,307 bales; Missouri, 42,776 bales; North Carolina, 530,643 bales; Oklahoma, 137,387 bales; South Carolina, 1,144 514 bales; Tennessee, 244,061 bales; Texas, 1,832,777 bales; Virginia, 15,938 bales.

SHIP SUBSIDY BILL.

Representative Grosvenor Presented the bill Yesterday With Remarks.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—In reporting to the House to-day the bill agreed upon by the Merchant Marine Commission with favorable recommendation from the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, Chairman Grosvenor makde some caustic comments on the condition of American shipping. He says that foreign competitors in this line are scarcely "rivals;" that they are "triumphant enemies, triumphing over the disaster that has come to American enterprise and rejoicing in the utter inability of the American people to wisely expend their own money."

Comment was made on the one hundred million dollar naval bill with the conclusion that "No nation was ever dominant on the sea in time of war that was not strong on the sea in the time of peace in its merchant marine. If war should come today we have not ten ships in our merchant marine to to be taken over by the government for war purposes and we could not man with efficient sailors one half the battleships, cruiters, torpedo boats, etc., of our splendid navy. The merchant marine is a hand maid, en, if you please, of the war navy and no nation ever achieved greatness in one direction which was not strong in the other half.

RECORD SHIPMENT OF GOLD.

The Steamship LaChampagne Will Take from New York $9,130,000 in Gold.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The heavy demand for gold at Paris, supposed to be due to the plans of French bankers in connection with Russian government finances, has resulted in the second largest engagement on record for a single shipment from New York to Europe. The steamship LaChampagne, which will sail to-morrow, will have on board $9,130,000, all in American eagles, except $680,000 in bars. The largest day's export on record was $9,300,000, to Paris, on May 13th last year, in connection with the Panama canal payment. To-morrow's shippers are as follows: Lazard Frerers, $2,430,000; Goldman, Sachs & Co., $2,00 ,000; National City Bank, $1,800,000; Royal Bank of Canada, $1,000,000; Baring, Magoun & Co., $700,000; Trademen's National Bank, of Philadelphia, $500,-000, and Meidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co., $1,000,000.

HAD A MARRYING MANIA.

Johann Hoch's Aggregation of Wives Foots Up Twenty-nine to Date.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Two indictments charging bigamy were voted against Jehann Hoch by the grand jury today. Three of Hoch's supposed wives were witnesses before the grand jury. When at the criminal court building waiting to appear before the grand jury the three women met each other for the first time, they shook hands and congratulated each other over their escape from Hoch.

Four supposed wives of Hoch have been discovered since yesterday. The total is now 29, not counting two in Brooklyn regarding whom the police have heard only rumors. The new wives are Mrs. Loughken-Hoch, said to have wedded the prisoner in San Francisco some time ago and to have died suddenly; Mrs. Huida Nagel Hoch, of St. Paul; Mrs. Henry Bartel Hoch, and Mrs. Fred Doess Hoch, both of Cincinnati.

WARM WIRELETS

Two persons, an engineer and fireman, were killed in a head-on collision between southern freight trains at McDonough, Ga., early yesterday morning.

Twenty persons were injured, two seriously, in a collision between a freight train on the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad and a street car at a grade crossing at Fort Worth, Texas, yesterday.

Secretary Morton was in conference yesterday with several prominent rail road men. Among those who called called were President Cassett, of the Pennsylvania, and President Spencer, of the Southern.

At Huntsville, Tex., yesterday two convicts made a daring escape from the penitentiary. They overpowered the engineer and fireman of a locomotive in the penitentiary yards, and steamed from the grounds under fire of the guards. They ran the engine about five miles, when they abandoned it and took to the woods. One of the prisoners was serving a life sentence under the charge of murdering his father.

FIVE DAYS BATTLE OF THE HUN RIVER.

The Russian Commander Reports That Neither Side Won Results.

WOUNDED SOLDIERS FROZE.

Weather Was So Intense That Shells and Bullets Had No Effect on Japanese Earthworks—The Fighting Has Ceased—Japanese Side.

By Cable to the Morning Star

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 1.—Gen. Kuropatkin, telegraphing under date of Jan. 30, says Sandepas was that day set on fire by the Russian artillery. In a telegram dated Jan. 31, the commander-in-chief reports a continuance of a successful bomardment of Sandepas, and says that Russian balloonists had noticed that a portion of the Japanese garrison had been withdrawn during the day.

JAPAN'S NAVAL PLANS.

TOKIO, Feb. 1.—Admiral Togo will return to his flagship February 6. The immediate naval plans are not disclosed.

BATTLE OF THE HUN RIVER.

RUSSIAN HEADQUARTERS, HUAN MOUNTAIN, Feb. 1.—The five days' comoas which will go down in history as the battle of the Hun River, was fought out on a seemingly unending plain which is broken only by the Southern Amethist Mountains around Yentai, the solitary eminence of which is the Liao Yang tower of bloody memory. The bright glare of the sun reflecting from a dazzling expanse of snow was painful to the eyes, and it was with difficulty that one could follow here and there black streaks marking the Russian columns or wavering skirmish lines dashing against what resembled dull gray rocks, but which in reality were the villages of Lidiatoun and Tanlepu and the extensive hamlet of Sandepas, bastioned by Chinese defences and converted by the Japanese into veritable fortresses, surrounded with wire entanglements and earthworks. Exposed to the intense cold of a Manchurian Winter, the mounds of earth had become like granite and and as impenetrable as the stone dies of a modern batteship.

For five days Russian soldiers hurled themselves against the defences and field artillery pounded them until the frosty air reverberated with the thunder of cannon, the din of bursting shells and the rattle of musketry, but neither steel pointed shell nor nickel bullet availed against the frozen earthworks. The gunners actually wept with despair at the impotence of the attack. Mortar batteries came up at a gallop in the hope of demolishing the fortifications. Night and day the stream of shells was poured against the earthworks, but it had very little effect. The men seemed indifferent to hunger or cold, which latter was of arctic intensity. Their fingers, hands and feet were benumbed, while stinging snow and dust blinded them. The slightest wound caused excruciating pain. Warm blood no sooner exuded from lacerated flesh than it began to freeze. The wounded could not be left exposed, and if they did receive attention within an hour they died. Man was powerless in the face of nature, which heaped tortures upon the troops and defeated the well thought out plan of the commander.

ADVANTAGE TO NEITHER SIDE.

RUSSIAN HEADQUARTERS, MOUN MOUNTAIN, Feb. 1.—The five days battle on the Hun river has yielded no palpable result, both sides practically maintaining their former positions, though it is true that at heavy cost, the Russians succeeded in driving the Japanese out of their advanced positions and repelling their flanking column. The Russian cavalry proved extremely effective. There is again a lull in the campaign and it is possible that military operations will be suspended until the end of February.

STEAMER SEIZED.

TOKIO, Feb. 1.—The Austrian steamer Siam, bound for Vladivostok from Cardiff with coal, was seized off Hokaido island yesterday.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION.

ODESSA, Feb. 1.—Chief of Police Galovine was shot at the police station in this city to-day and was wounded in the right shoulder. The wound is not dangerous. Chief Galvoine was in a carriage and an unknown man who was attired as a workman attempted to assassinate him. The would-be murderer fled but was captured.

Will Be Sent to Anson.

J. G. Hughes, a white man serving a term of two years on the New Hanover roads under sentence from Columbus county Superior Court, completed his term at Castle Haynes yesterday and was brought in by Superintendent Shearin and lodged in jail until he can be transferred to Ansen county, where he is wanted for crimes committed before he was sentenced from Columbus. Hughes was one of the instigators of the break for liberty by convicts at Castle Haynes about 18 months ago. He succeeded in escaping at that time but was subsequently recaptured at Whiteville and returned to the roads here.

Superior Court Postponed.

Official notice is given to day that the two-weeks term of New Hanover Superior Court, which would now be in session but for the illness of Judge Allen, is cancelled. Jurors, witnesses and defendants are not required to attend either this or next week. The County Commissioners, at their meeting Monday will make an official request of the Governor for a two-weeks special term for the trial of civil suits to be held the latter part of March or earlier, if possible.

Representatives Thomas B. Collier and Albert Bedham, both of Shelby county's legislative delegation, had a personal encounter in the corridor of the Tennessee capitol yesterday, as a result of a misunderstanding over a Memphis bill. After a few blows, friends interfered. Mr. Benham later apologized to the House.

The "Light House" for an oyster roast! Everything new. Electric lights. Cheerful open fires. Last car leaves Wrighiville at 10:30 P.M.; heated, closed cars. The 3 o'clock car from town comes back as far as the Light House at 4:30 P. M. to give you an opportunity to get an oyster roast as well as visit the the ocean.

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BREWERY AGENTS FINED.

Indictments for Non-Payment of License Heard by Mayor—Appeals Taken.

The cases against two of the three representatives of breweries doing business in the city and who have not been paying the license tax of $32 per month imposed by the city on dealers in malt liquors, were called in the police court yesterday and, after trial, the defendants were fined $50 and costs each, from which they took an appeal to the Superior Court. The cases tried were those of Mr. Julius Hahn, agent for the Anheuser Busch Co., and Mr. W. L. West, agent for the Consumer's Brewing Co., of Virginia. The case against Mr. Isadore Bear, of the Schlitz Brewing Co., was continued until Friday and it is understood that Mr. Bear will submit and pay the license in the future.

Mr. Hahn was represented yesterday by Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy and Mr. West, by Marsden Bellamy, Jr. Esq., each of whom set up the claim that they had a right to sell their goods here under the Inter-State Commerce Law. The city was represented by City Attorney Wm. J. Bellamy and ex Judge E. K. Bryan, associate counsel, who contended that when the beer was not actually shipped to the consignees but to the agent, who distributed it, they were not exempt under the Inter-State Commerce Law.

Mr. E. T. Draper, of the Cape Fear Club; Mr. Joe Starkey, proprietor of the Excelsior Saloon; Mr. J. G. Luttig, of the Home Brewing Co.; Mr. Walter Boesch and Mr. J. L Wynn were the witnesses examined. U. S. Commissioner S. P. Collier was also summoned, but he was not put on the stand. After a sharp legal fight over the cases, the defendants were fined and upon their appeal, they were each required to give $100 bond to the Superior Court. His counsel became surety for Mr. Hahn and Mr. Geo. H. Heyer gave bond for Mr. West.

MECHANICS' HOME ASSOCIATION.

Sixteenth Annual Meeting Last Night—Most Satisfactory Condition of Finances.

The 16th annual meeting of the Mechanics' Home Association was called to be held last night at the City Hall, but owing to the lack of a quorum the meeting was not held. However, there was a majority of the Board of Directors present, and adcording to the law all the old officers and directors hold over for another year. The officers and directors are as follows:

President—N. Jacobi.
Vice President—Walker Taylor.
Secretary and Treasurer—W. M. Cumming.
Attorney—W. B. McKoy.
Directors—N. Jacobi, R. F. Warren, R. H. Pickett, L. Stein, T. B. Carroll, I. Sorier, Walker Taylor, W. F. Robertson, M. W. Divine, W. E. Perdew, N. M. McEachern, W. B. McKoy, J. H. Boatwright and Roger Moore.

The most interesting feature of the meeting of the directors was the annual report of the secretary and treasurer which was submitted in printed form, duly approved by the auditing committee, composed of Mr. S. P. Collier and Dr. S. Mendelsohn. The reports make a very creditable showing of the finances of the Association. During the year 1904 the 15th and 16th series of stock matured (each in 394 weeks) and all stockholders were paid $100 per share. The Association had previously matured 14 series. The 17th series will mature March 18th, 1905. All loans are in good shape. Two new series are opened each year, one in January and one in July.

STREET CAR HIT SAILOR.

Puzzling Affair That Occurred on Brunswick Street Just After Last Midnight.

This morning as Conductor Ed Cunningham's car was climbing the hill on Brunswick street, returning from the belated Seaboard Air Line train, the fender of the car struck an unknown white man at the corner of Second and Brunswick, knocking him to one side. The man, who later proved to be a sailor, crawled upon an embankment at that point soon after he was struck. The car was stopped and the conductor went back and asked the sailor if he was hurt. He said no and cursed at the street car man. Blood, however, was streaming down the man's face and Conductor Cunningham gave up his car to another man at Fourth and Brunswick and went back with a policeman to investigate. The man had gone when they arrived, but four other sailors were found in a house in the vicinity engaged in a drunken brawl. There were splotches of blood on the floor and the presumption is that the unknown sailor was wounded there before the car struck him.

Four sailors found in the house were subsequently arrested by Policeman Wood and locked up at the station house.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Notices For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found Wants, and other short Miscellaneous Advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents. Terms positively cash in advance

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